THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Under Indira Awas Yojana, houses are provided to the SC/ST, freed bonded labourers and non-SC/ST rural people living below poverty line. A maximum of 40% of houses are allotted to non-SC/ST people below poverty line under the scheme.

(c) The total central outlay for the current year 1996-97 under IAY is Rs. 1194 crores.

(d) A statement showing the State-wise target is enclosed *(See* below).

(e) The progress of implementation of the scheme is monitored regularly through monthly progress reports field visits of Area Officers and review meetings with State Government officials. Apart from this, Senior officers of the Ministry also visit the States to ensure achievement of the target.

Statement

Targets under IAY for 1996-97

Sl. No.	State/U.T.	Target (Nos.)
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	84640
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	631
3.	Assam	29197
4.	Bihar	151453
5.	Goa	1736
6.	Gujarat	33633
7.	Haryana	6983
8.	Himachal Pradesh	2165
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	5347
10.	Karnataka	53181
11.	Kerala	18554
12.	Madhya Pradesh	147902
13.	Maharashtra	81120
14.	Manipur	808
15.	Meghalaya	946
16.	Mizoram	398
17.	Nagaland	1014
18.	Orissa	62248
19.	Punjab	4966
20.	Rajasthan	50325
21.	Sikkim	369
22.	Tamil Nadu	71598
23.	Tripura	1051
24.	Uttar Pradesh	241251
25.	West Bengal	70979
26.	A&N Islands	337
27.	D&N Haveli	278
28.	Daman & Diu	120
29.	Lakshadweep	0
30.	Pondicherry	330
	Total	1123560

Dues against State Electricity Boards

169. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of dues that Central Government have to recover from State Electricity Boards and since when the dues are pending;

(b) the names of the States Electricity Boards from which the dues are to be recovered; and

(c) the measures being taken by Government to ensure that State Electricity Boards pay the dues in time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) An amount of Rs. 8025.65 crores including the surcharge/ interest etc., as on 30.9.1996 is to be recovered from the State Electricity Boards/State Governments/UTs against the dues of Central Power Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Power. While these dues are for the period from 1.4.1994 to 30.9.1996 in the case of National Thermal Power Corporation. National Hydroelectric Power Corporation, Damodar Valley Corporation, North Eastern Electric

Power Corporation and Power Grid Corporation, in the case of Rural Electrification Corporation and Power Finance Corporation, these dues are from 1.6.1992 to 30.9.1996. The surcharge/interest etc. pertains to prior period also.

(b) The above dues are against the States of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, J&K, Karnataka, Kerala, M.P., Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Delhi and UT of Chandigarh.

(c) Government has decided that future supply of power by Central Power Sector Undertakings will be against advance payment or irrevocable letter of credit.

Dues of State Electricity Boards to Central Power Public Undertakings

170. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Power has sought Government's nod for appropriation of Rs. 10.000 crore worth dues of State Electricity Boards to Central Power Public Undertakings;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the other Central Power Public Undertakings including Power Grid Corporation, North Eastern Electricity Power Company and Damodar Valley Corporation also have large outstandings from State Electricity Boards; and

(c) if so, what is Government reaction in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) to (c) Rs. 802S.6S crores is outstanding against the State Electricity Boards/State Governments as on 30.9.1996 of the dues of the Central Power Sector Undertakings including Power Grid Corporation, North Eastern Electric Power Corporation and Damodar Valley Corporation. Government has, therefore, approved, in principle, the proposal of the Ministry of Power for recovery of the dues through appropriation from Central Plan Assistance to the States. It has also been decided that the future supply of power would be against advance payments or irrevocable letters of credit.

विद्युत क्षेत्र में व्यापक सुधार

171. श्री राम जेठमलानी: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने विद्युत क्षेत्र में व्यापक सुधार करने के लिए इस क्षेत्र में राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर एक बिजली योजना तैयार करने का निश्चय किया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) सरकार अपनी राष्ट्रीय विद्युत नीति को कब तक घोषित करने का विचार रखती है?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा अपारंपरिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डॉ. एस. वेणुगोपालाचारी): (क) से (ग) सरकार ने विद्युत क्षेत्र के लिए एक राष्ट्रीय कार्य योजना को तैयार करने के लिए राज्य सरकारों के साथ विस्तृत विचार-विमर्श आरंभ किया है। इस संबंध में रूपात्मकताओं पर 25 नवम्बर, 1996 को आयोजित किए जाने वाले मुख्य मंत्रियों के सम्मेलन में विचार-विमर्श किया जाएगा।

Amendment of Electric Supply Act

172. PROF. RAM KAPSE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend the Electric Supply Act with several objectives;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when it is proposed to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) The Government has no finalised any proposal for amendment of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

गुजरात में नेहरू रोजगार योजना का विफल होना

173. श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गुजरात के महानगर परिषद् तथा नगर निगम के अंतर्गत आने वाले क्षेत्रों में बैंकों द्वारा